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Chief, Economic Research Area, ORR  
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Monthly Report: April 1956

1. Accomplishments

a. Branch Projects Submitted

- 33.890, Re-evaluation of Floor Areas of Four Soviet Airframe Plants.
- 33.1043, Quarterly Estimate of the Production of Aircraft in the Sino-Soviet Bloc, January-March 1956.

b. Other Projects Submitted

- 10.1035, Communist China Foreign Trade, 1955.
- 10.1077, Capabilities and Trends of Soviet Science and Technology.
- 10.1083, OGI Handbook, Hungary.
- 10.804, NIE on European Satellites.
- 30.1051, Soviet Production of Electronics.
- 30.830, Soviet Consumption.
- 30.811, NIS, China, Manufacturing and Construction.
- CSM: East German Orders for Electronic Equipment Curtailed in 1955.
- CSM: Real Wages in Poland.

c. Special Research

During April, the D/I branches spent 575 hours in special research.

2. Training

- 25X1A9a a. [REDACTED] (I/EE) completed the ORR Course in Special Materials, 13 April 1956.
- 25X1A9a b. [REDACTED] (I/MA) is enrolled in ORR Course in Special Materials, Phase II.
- 25X1A9a c. [REDACTED] (I/SH) is enrolled in the course in Industrial Photographic Intelligence.

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- 25X1A9a d. [REDACTED] (I/MM) is enrolled in an Elementary Russian Reading Course.
- 25X1A9a e. [REDACTED] (I/MM) is enrolled in the Basic Management Course.
- 25X1A9a f. [REDACTED] (I/TH) is enrolled in a Polish Course in O/TR.
- 25X1A9a g. [REDACTED] (I/TH) is enrolled in a course in Reading Analysis.
- 25X1A9a h. [REDACTED] (I/WA) and [REDACTED] (I/WA) are enrolled in an Intensive Russian Course.

3. Trips

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- 25X1A9a a. [REDACTED] (I/EE) and [REDACTED] Towson, Md. 25X1A

- 25X1A9a b. [REDACTED] (I/AR) attended the National Aeronautic Meeting including the Aeronautic Production Forum and Aircraft Engineering Display of the Society of Automotive Engineers in New York City, 9-12 April 1956.

- 25X1A9a c. [REDACTED] (I/AR) attended a Symposium on the Manufacturing Problems Occasioned by the Use of High Temperature Materials in Airframe Construction in Dayton, Ohio on 23, 24 April 1956. The Symposium was sponsored by the Air Materiel Command in co-operation with Airframe and Supporting Industry.

4. Administration

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- 25X1A9a a. [REDACTED] (I/EE) attended [REDACTED] Electronics Conference, 16-20 April 1956.
- 25X1A9a b. [REDACTED], Acting Chief of I/MM, announced his resignation from CIA, effective 1 June. [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
- 25X1A9a [REDACTED] has been appointed Acting Chief, I/MM.
- 25X1A9a c. [REDACTED] entered I/SH, 19 April, as an IAC representative.

5. Plans

- a. The Hungarian NIS, Section 6h, is expected to be completed by 31 May, the established due date. This will be the final contribution of the current series. D/I plans to set up a standing NIS review committee in place of the procedures followed this year.

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- b. In an effort to improve the availability of basic material for the NIS program, this division has taken steps to apprise FDB, the reading panels, and other special sources of the nature of the D/I program and its requirements.
- c. To develop uniformity in promotion policy, a more detailed review of promotion requests is being instituted at the division level.
- d. In spite of the postponement of Project 10.804, the division has decided to continue developing its indexes of industrial equipment and military end items. These indexes will be published by the branches.

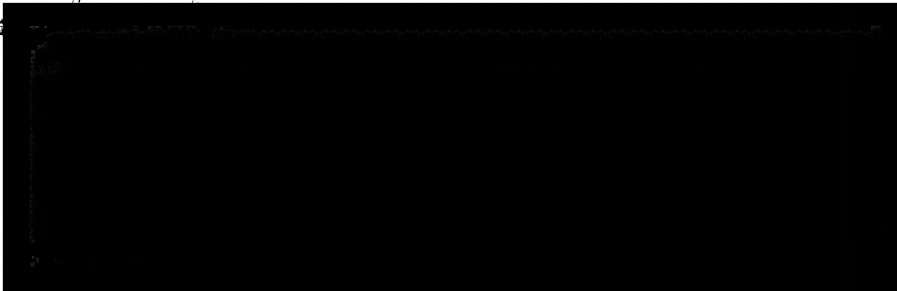
6. Problems

- a. D/I is currently working to improve the quantity and quality of its current support items. It is becoming increasingly evident that improved current support will entail significant time expenditures, both for preparation of the items and for coordination with CSS and other producing groups.
- b. The projected transfer of [REDACTED] from I/HM to the D/I Staff has necessitated the reassignment of the Czechoslovak NIS from [REDACTED] 25X1A9a  
25X1A9a [REDACTED] The I/HM research program is being revised accordingly. 25X1A9a

7. Recommendations

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